

CAF Cards: Engaging young people in CAF assessment (1day)*

Thursday 1st October
9.30am – 4.00pm, Freston Road

Target group: Any Personal Adviser, IYSS or TYS practitioner who has completed borough-based CAF (Common Assessment Framework) training and is currently or will be undertaking CAF assessments with young people.

About CAF Cards: CAF Cards have been specifically developed with young people to fully engage and empower them in the Common Assessment process. They allow the exploration of imagery to plan brighter futures and identify how to support and resource the change process. The cards are underpinned by Neuro Linguistic Programming (NLP) principles and create an environment that encourages young people to look at their lives differently and build a desire to change, before exploring new possibilities and set new goals.

Note: CAF Cards are not generally available for purchase - practitioners must undergo CAF Cards training from a licensed provider to receive a set.
Further details of CAF Cards can be obtained from: <http://www.cafcarts.co.uk>

Course Aim: To provide practitioners with a creative tool to support CAF assessments with young people and individual needs assessment generally

Learning Objectives:

- To demonstrate and develop understanding of the uses of CAF and 'Road Sign' cards in engaging young people in their own CAF assessments
- To become familiar with and practice skills in using CAF and Road Sign cards to support assessment and goal setting processes
- To develop awareness of the wider applications of CAF and Road Sign cards in assessing needs, setting goals and action planning with individuals and supporting discussion of key issues in group work settings.

Course methodology: The course will be a fun, practical session providing ample opportunities to work with the cards using small group simulations and case studies.

To complement the training, all delegates will receive a presentation box containing: a set of CAF Cards; a set of Road Sign Cards and a Training Manual with details of additional ways of using the Cards plus other useful reference materials

* Note: this training is NOT about how the Common Assessment Framework will work generally, but is about providing practitioners with a creative tool which will enhance their young person centred work and assist in engaging young people in their own CAF assessments. Participants must have previously undertaken local CAF training or have experience and a good understanding of the CAF.